STATE OF IOWA

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE:

U S WEST COMMUNICATIONS, INC., n/k/a QWEST CORPORATION, AND NEW EDGE NETWORK, INC., d/b/a NEW EDGE NETWORKS DOCKET NO. NIA-99-25

ORDER APPROVING AMENDMENT NO. 6 TO NEGOTIATED INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT

(Issued April 26, 2001)

On March 19, 2001, U S WEST Communications, Inc., n/k/a Qwest Corporation, and New Edge Network, Inc., d/b/a New Edge Networks, filed a sixth amendment to their negotiated interconnection agreement to replace the interim line sharing agreement with a new agreement on line sharing. The proceeding was identified as Docket No. NIA-99-25. The Utilities Board (Board), on December 16, 1999, had approved the initial negotiated interconnection agreement. Review by the Board of this amendment is pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(e).

On March 27, 2001, the Board issued an order allowing any interested party the opportunity to submit written comments supporting approval or rejection of the agreement within 30 days of the filing. No comments were filed.

Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(2)(A), the Board may reject a negotiated interconnection agreement or amendment if it finds either (1) the agreement or amendment discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the

agreement or (2) the implementation of the agreement or amendment is not consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity. Based upon the record made in this docket, the filed amendment does not discriminate against any other telecommunications carrier and is not inconsistent with the public purpose and will be approved.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

Amendment No. 6 to the negotiated interconnection agreement filed on March 19, 2001, by U S WEST Communications, Inc., n/k/a Qwest Corporation, and New Edge Network, Inc., d/b/a New Edge Networks, is approved to be effective upon the issuance of this order.

/s/ Allan T. Thoms /s/ Susan J. Frye ATTEST: /s/ Judi K. Cooper Acting Executive Secretary /s/ Diane Munns

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 26th day of April, 2001.